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REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Finsterwalde Airfield

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EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1X

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED] 25X1C

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 7 August 1950

REFERENCES [REDACTED] 25X1A

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

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SOURCE [REDACTED]

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1. Construction work on the runway at the Finsterwalde (N 52/A 15) airfield was being intensified. All of the unemployed in Finsterwalde were drafted for runway construction work which had priority over uranium mining. The target date for completion was set for 1 October 1950. (1)
2. Almost no air force soldiers were seen in the town since they were restricted to quarters. (2)
3. Only the small antenna tower of the radio station in the town was in use. [REDACTED] 25X1C
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4. A searchlight was in use near the radio station in Finsterwalde. (4)

25X1A [REDACTED] Comments.

- (1) This is the first report that construction work was being pushed and that the target date for completion had been set. Another source reported that construction work was also being accelerated at the Cottbus airfield. See [REDACTED] 25X1A

25X1A [REDACTED] From the present status of construction work, it is possible that the target date for completion will be met.

- (2) The restriction of air force personnel to their quarters was previously reported. See [REDACTED] 25X1A

25X1C (3) [REDACTED]

- (4) This is the first report on the presence of a searchlight near the radio station. The searchlight is possibly being used to facilitate the orientation of aircraft.

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